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SUBJECT: REASSIGNMENT OF COCOM CHAIRMAN

REF: (A) PARIS 20504; (B) STATE 167107; (C) ROME 12303 (NOTAL)

1. DURING JULY 3 CALL AT ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA)
EMBOFF RAN INTO MINISTER GIORGIO REITANO, WHO, PRIOR TO MFA
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIRECTORATE GENERAL REORGANIZATION WAS MFA REPRESENTATIVE ON COCOM MATTERS AND WHO, AS NOTED IN REFTELS, IS CANDIDATE TO SUCCEED INDELICATO AS COCOM CHAIRMAN.

2. REITANO RAISED SUBJECT OF COCOM CHAIRMANSHIP AND HIS CANDIDAY
AND REMARKED HE WAS AWARE OF USG DESIRE TO RETAIN INDELICATO AS
CAHIRMAN THROUGH LIST REVIEW. HE CLAIMED TO BE SYMPATHETIC TO OUR
POSITION AND ADDED THAT IF CHOSEN AS SUCCESSOR HE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE
AT LEAST SOME OVERLAP IN PARIS BEFORE INDELICATO LEAVES. REITANO SAID
THAT IT IS THE ITALIAN "ADMINISTRATION" WHICH IS PRESSURING FOR AN
EARLY TRANSFER SINCE INDELICATO IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR AN UNNAMED
AMBASSADORIAL POSITION.

3. EMBOFF TOOK ADVANTAGE OF OCCASION TO RESTATE TO REITANO
USG DESIRE FOR RETENTION OF INDELICATO THROUGH LIST REVIEW
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